

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

In the case of an IC card having a decoding key
for decoding data and an encoding key for encoding the
data which are generated inside or set by an external
5 unit, when a key takeout instruction for taking out the
decoding key and encoding key in the IC card to an
external unit is input, the decoding key and encoding
key are encoded by a plurality of other keys set in the
IC card and then transmitted to an external unit.

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